MEPS Newsletter

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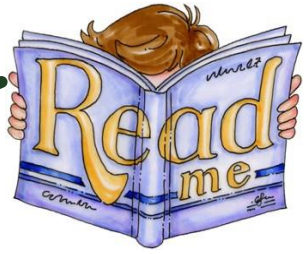
Term 2, Week 2 2025 – 2 May 2025



DIARY

TERM 2 – 2025		
MAY		
Monday	5	2W Manyung Nature Play
Tuesday	6	2P Manyung Nature Play Year 3 Stand Tall Incursion
Wednesday	7	Mother's Day Stall Year 6B Mt Eliza House Year 6T Aged Care
Thursday	8	Mother's Day Stall Year 4 Indigenous Culture Incursion
Friday	9	Mother's Day Breakfast Mother's Day Stall
Tuesday	13	Year 3 Stand Tall Incursion
Wednesday	14	Year 6B Aged Care Year 6T Mt Eliza House
Tuesday	20	Year 3 Stand Tall Incursion Mt Eliza Rotary Club Dinner
Wednesday	21	Year 6B Mt Eliza House Year 6T Aged Care
Tuesday	27	Year 3 Stand Tall Incursion
Wednesday	28	Year 6B Aged Care Year 6T Mt Eliza House
JUNE		
Wednesday	4	Year 6B Mt Eliza House Year 6T Aged Care
Friday	6	Curriculum day – No students required at school
Monday	9	Public holiday - King's Birthday – No students required at school
Wednesday	11	Year 6B Aged Care Year 6T Mt Eliza House
Wednesday	18	Year 6B Mt Eliza House Year 6T Aged Care
Wednesday	25	Year 6B Aged Care Year 6T Mt Eliza House

UNIFORM SHOP

Opening hours

- Monday: 8:30am – 11:30am
- Wednesday: 1:30pm – 3:30pm

Uniforms may be purchased online – see link below https://fcw.com.au/online-shop/mt-eliza-primary-school-online/

Processed orders will be delivered to your child's classroom.

FCW School Uniform Shop only accepts CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS.

Zoe Grey – zoemgrey25@gmail.com
Uniform Shop Coordinator

SECONDHAND UNIFORM SHOP

Opening hours

During Term 1, the Second-Hand Uniform Shop will be open on the following Thursdays between **8:30 – 9:00AM**

Thursday 15th May
Thursday 12th June
Thursday 26th June
Thursday 29th May

NB: There are a lot of uniforms in lost property, in the 3/4 building. Please ensure that your child's name is on their uniforms so that they can be easily returned.

CAMP AUSTRALIA

Before and After School Care is available in the Old School House. To register your child please phone Camp Australia on 1300 105 343 or register online at www.campaustralia.com.au

Our collaboration with Camp Australia sees them offer free lunchtime clubs on Tuesdays and Thursdays for our students. These engaging sessions are designed to help children develop social skills and collaborate with their peers in a fun and interactive environment. It's a fantastic opportunity for students to enhance their teamwork abilities while enjoying their lunch breaks. We encourage all students to participate and make the most of this wonderful initiative!

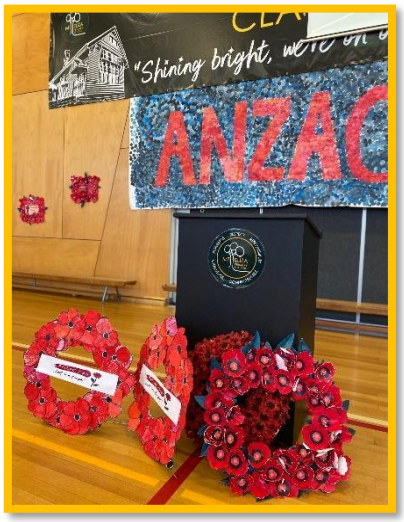
ACTING PRINCIPAL REPORT – DARREN THRESHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a pleasure welcoming families back to school at the start of term two with the yard coming alive again with the sounds of laughter and reconnecting friends. We are looking forward to a productive and positive term full of exciting learning experiences and new challenges. This term we are excited to welcome our new principal, Michael Kent, who will be joining our community a few weeks into term after finishing at his current school.

I am hopeful that your family enjoyed the recent Easter holidays. In my house, that enjoyment was shared as I did my best to convince my own children (quite unsuccessfully) to give me some of the Easter treats that they were lucky enough to receive. We managed a bit of camping and spent lots of time outdoors playing around together. It was nice to recharge and feel ready for the start of another busy term.

To start the term at MEPS, the school held an ANZAC Day assembly on the first Thursday back in order to recognise the sacrifices of those who have served their country for the benefit of others. Our students should be proud of the way that they participated respectfully as they learned more about the ANZACs. Some year levels created beautiful wreaths as part of their classroom learning throughout the week that were presented as part of our school ceremony.



Uniform Expectations

We would like to remind all students and families to start the term about the importance of wearing our school uniform correctly and with pride. The MEPS uniform is an important symbol of our shared values and identity in the school grounds and wider community. As such, all students are expected to wear our school uniform in accordance with the expectations outlined on the school's website. With colder months approaching, some students may need family support to organise a suitably sized school jumper to ensure they are feeling warm and comfortable at school. It may have been some time since they last needed their warmer clothing so now is the time to try items on and source larger sizes if needed. Non-school clothing and clothing from local sporting organisations will not be accepted as substitutes for our school's uniform.

Celebrating Culture

Last term at assembly I spoke about diversity and inclusion and invited students and families to approach me if they wanted to share their culture with others in our school community. This term, I would like to offer this again in order to keep a focus on celebrating the many different cultures that make up the MEPS community. It is my belief that this diversity is one of the greatest sources of strength we have as a community and worth continually celebrating and acknowledging for the benefit of all students at the school. I am hopeful community members with personal connections to significant cultural events and celebrations will contact me directly in order to assist the school in recognizing and developing awareness about the importance of history and culture. Should you wish to offer your perspectives and knowledge, please contact: Darren.thresher@education.vic.gov.au

One upcoming event in term two that develops awareness of Indigenous culture and history is NAIDOC week. The school will be working to recognize and celebrate this important event as well as Reconciliation week throughout the term. Please see the NAIDOC colouring (prep-two) and poetry (three-six) competitions attached below in the newsletter. It would be great to see members of our community participate in these competitions as they develop their understanding of NAIDOC week.

Principal for the Day

At the end of last term, we were lucky enough to have the assistance of the next great school leader when Josh helped the leadership team as the principal for the day. Our other winner, Addison, was unfortunately sick but will have another upcoming opportunity later in this term for her. Josh put his very best into the job and had a really busy day welcoming people at the gate, presenting at assembly, checking on learning, changing the school's sign and making important announcements. Thanks Josh for all your hard work. You definitely have what it takes to be the next great school leader.

Community Safety and Respect

One of the many aspects of our school worthy of celebration in term one was the amount of students who chose to be active and walk, bike or scooter to school. It was great to see so many people starting their day with some exercise. In order to keep everyone safe, we would like to remind those on bikes and scooters to take extra care and look out for both pedestrians and vehicles when travelling to and from the school. Please walk all bikes and scooters past the school gates and slow down using caution when passing those walking or approaching upcoming roads or driveways.

Part of the school's wellbeing curriculum focuses on teaching children the importance of respectful relationships in order to navigate the challenges of interpersonal relationships and conflict. This is further supplemented by our Friendology program which gives students the skills and strategies to work interdependently with others in learning and play. Adults in our community serve as important role models for children and have a vital role in providing positive examples of how we solve challenging situations or differences of opinion. Should you have any educational concerns, please bring them to the school with the goal of working in a collaborative partnership with us so we as adults set an example for our children worthy of imitation.

Darren Thresher

Acting Principal

ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL REPORT – AMY HILLE

The Spirit of ANZAC Shines Bright at Mt Eliza Primary

Last Friday, I had the privilege of attending the Mt Eliza ANZAC Day ceremony and despite the pouring rain, the spirit of ANZAC and pride in our Mt Eliza Primary School (MEPS) community was truly inspiring.

Our incredible SRC leaders, Lucy and Hugh, represented our school with respect and dignity, laying a beautiful wreath in honour of those who have served. Their leadership and composure on such a significant occasion made us all proud.

It was also heartening to see so many MEPS students and families braving the weather to attend the service, including the Fehring family. Sam and Annabelle's dad, Campbell Fehring, opened the ceremony with a moving speech, reflecting on the values of adventure, mateship and trust that underpin the ANZAC spirit. Hearing Campbell share his personal experiences brought these themes to life in a powerful way.

We are beyond proud of our MEPS community—students, staff, and families—for coming together to commemorate and celebrate ANZAC Day. The rain may have been relentless, but it didn't dampen the spirit, respect, and unity shown by all.

Amy Hille

Acting Assistant Principal

CHESS CLUB

Chess Club is on every Monday lunchtime in the Library with Ms Coley. At Chess Club, we learn how to play chess and also have lots of fun. Chess club is open to all students, including Preps. Chess is a great activity to learn problem solving skills. If you are doing Children's University, you can even earn stamps in your passport. Did you know, the game of Chess was invented over 1,500 years ago in India? **Edwina 4B.**

Even if you have never played Chess before, you can come along to Chess club and learn. Someone there will be able to teach you. I am just learning how to play, but I go to chess club each week and play with an experienced player. I have learnt how the pieces move and that the goal is to get the opponent's King into checkmate! **Erin 4B**

At Chess Club we learn different strategies and moves to get an advantage and maybe even win! One strategy I have learnt at Chess Club is using the pawn as a decoy to take an opponent's piece. If you want to improve at chess, you need to practise regularly. You could ask a family member to play with you at home. Another tip is to download a Chess app to help you practise on your own. **Will 4B**

Later this term, MEPS will be forming a Chess team to compete at a local Chess Tournament. The tournament will be held at Peninsula Grammar School in June. The Chess team will walk up to Peninsula and play rounds of Chess all day against other local schools. There are lots of prizes to win and you may even go on to compete at the regional or state Chess finals. **Liam 4B**

To enter the Chess tournament, you must come to Chess Club each Monday. Ms Coley will take the roll and check who is there. You need to come at least 5 times in order to compete at the Chess tournament. The tournament is open to students in Years 2-6. I look forward to seeing you all at Chess club next week! **Lachlan 4B**

STAFF FIRST AID TRAINING

A heartfelt thank you to all the MEPS staff who participated in First Aid Training outside of school hours last week. Your dedication ensures that our students will receive the best possible care in case of an emergency. We truly appreciate your commitment to keeping our school community safe and supported!

PTA FUNDRAISER

Come along down to MEPS for the election this Saturday, 3 May and grab your democracy sausage.

MOTHER'S DAY & SPECIAL FRIENDS BREAKFAST

RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY CONNECTEDNESS CHALLENGE RESILIENCE

MT ELIZA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mother's Day & Special Friends Breakfast

Friday 9th May 7.30-8.45am
Old School Hall

Please join us in celebrating the special mums and people in our lives over breakfast.

Order your breakfast through My School Connect by 5pm Wednesday 7th April.

Guests are welcomed to attend the whole school assembly from 8.45am.

SCAN ME

BOOK CLUB – ISSUE 3 OUT NOW!

Book Club Catalogues have been sent home with youngest siblings and there are some extra copies at the office.

All sales earn our school Scholastic rewards to go towards new books and resources for our library.

Please place orders online through Book Club loop by Monday, May 5th.
https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login.aspx

PLEASE NOTE CASH PAYMENTS ARE NOT ACCEPTED AT THE OFFICE

Thank you for your support,
Carina Thomas
Book Club Co-ordinator

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL THROUGH RITCHIES IGA

We are excited to announce an opportunity to support our beloved Mt Eliza Primary School by simply doing your regular shopping at any participating Ritchies IGA supermarket or liquor store across VIC, NSW or QLD.

By nominating **Mt Eliza Primary School** as your preferred charity through the Ritchies Community Benefit Program, a percentage of your total sales (above $10) will be donated back to our school each month. It's a simple yet impactful way to contribute to our school's ongoing growth and development.

Signing up is easy:

1. Scan the QR code provided to download the Ritchies app.
2. Register and activate your membership.
3. Select "**Mt Eliza Primary School**" as your nominated charity.
4. Shop as usual and feel good knowing you are helping our school with every purchase.

Terms and conditions apply. For more details, visit Ritchies Card Terms.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our school community.

RITCHIES IGA
Where the Community Benefits

SCHOOL SAVING INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE FOR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

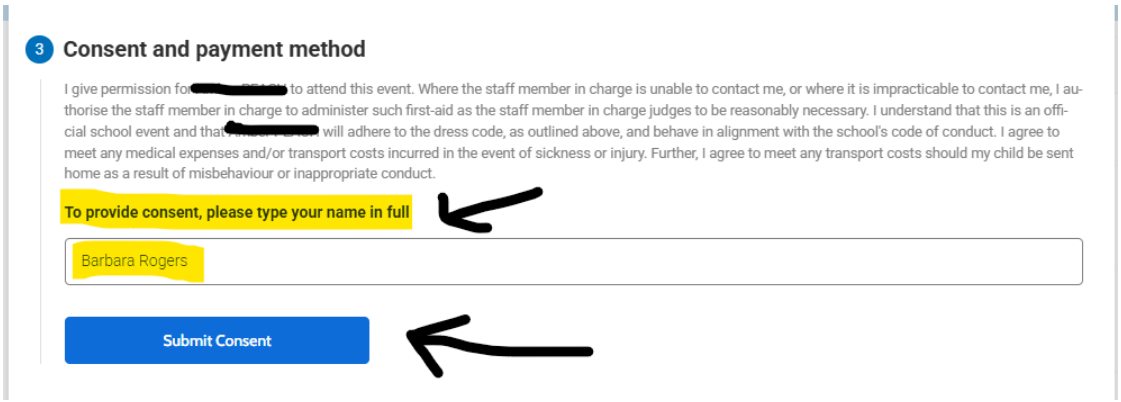
We understand that there has been confusion about the School Saving Bonus and the interim solution we have suggested to help.

Please read this carefully!

If you would like to use your SSB for activities/excursions NOW, you will need to allocate all or part of the balance to activities through the SSB online system.

1. Log in using your unique SSB code from the Department of Education and email address.
2. Click School Activities
3. Select amount to nominate to transfer (this cannot be changed or reversed). Please allow 48 hours for transfer to take place (The amount does not appear on Compass – only your school account)
4. You will receive an email confirmation

After you have allocated the SSB to activities you will need to go to **"consent and pay"** and type your name in full, then select – **"submit consent"** (see the graphic below). This will then identify that you have given permission for your child to attend and that we should allocate SSB for payment. Once you have consented on compass, please send an email to ssb@mtelizaps.vic.edu.au with the following details – child's name, name of excursion/Incursion and the cost. **A reply may not always be received unless we require additional information.*



If the event is marked as,

- **"Awaiting consent and payment"** – You have not consented or paid for the event and must do so by the due date and your child may miss out.
- **"Awaiting payment"** this confirms that you HAVE consented to the event and SSB can be used we will use the SSB on your child's account (whereby SSB can be used as a form of payment). Please ensure to read the event description carefully as it will advise what forms of payment can be used.
- **"Attending"** – You have consented and paid/SSB has been allocated to payment

ATTENDANCE

Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

It is important to note that if your child/ren will be absent, you must notify the school via the Compass Education App. Compass Education provides a Parent Portal which includes the ability to mark your child/ren absent if you know your child/ren will be absent from school. Parents will need to download the Compass Education app to access this service (which is available on both Apple and Android devices).

Steps to add an absence

1. Open the Compass App.
2. Click on your child's photo at the top of the Home Screen
3. Click on **Attendance**
4. Click the blue **+** icon
5. From here parents can key in all information required for the absence, including dates, times and most importantly, the reason for the absence. Please note if parents do not enter their child's absence, you will receive a text message letting them know that the child's absence is unexplained, with a link to provide an Attendance Note on the Compass Education app.

If you received a text saying your child is absent

1. Click on the link in your text message OR Follow steps 1-2 above
2. Click the un-explained tab at the bottom
3. Select each unexplained absence date and complete

The **Compass Parent Guide** can be viewed or downloaded from the school website here.

CSEF

The Camps, Sport and Excursion Fund ("CSEF") helps ensure that no student misses out on important educational opportunities. To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a government school must:

- On the first day of Term One; or
- On the first day of Term Two:
  a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of a Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card holder; or
  b) Be a temporary foster parent; and
  c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

If you applied for CSEF last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your circumstances (e.g. change of school, change of family circumstances, change of name, change of concession card number or new siblings starting school).

You are welcome to submit your CSEF application form and health care card to the school office now.
Please note: Applications for CSEF close on **4 July 2025.**

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- $154 for primary school students
- $256 for secondary school students

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from the website below.

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments**: your child has started or changed schools this year.
- **changed family circumstances**: such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

Check with the school office if you are unsure

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about CSEF visit:
https://www.vic.gov.au/camps-sports-and-excursions-fund

PREP CSEF AUTUMN/WINTER UNIFORM PACKAGE 2025

As part of the CSEF package, prep parents are entitled to a 2025 prep uniform package.

Applications for the Prep 2025 Autumn/Winter CSEF Uniform Package are open now. You are welcome to submit your application form, order form and health care card to the school office now.

Please note: Applications close at the end of Term 3 and vouchers have an expiry which must be redeemed before the expiration date.

STATE SCHOOLS' RELIEF

Prep CSEF Autumn/Winter Uniform Package 2025

STATE SCHOOLS' RELIEF

UPDATE FOR PARENTS & GUARDIANS

Applications for the Prep CSEF Autumn/Winter Uniform Package are now open

What you need to know.

Who is State Schools' Relief?
State Schools' Relief (SSR) is a not-for-profit organisation that works closely with all government schools across Victoria. Each year SSR provides assistance to thousands of families experiencing financial disadvantage by supplying new school uniform items and footwear.

Introduction to the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) was established to provide payments for eligible students to attend camps, sports days and excursions. To find out more, or to apply for assistance, please refer to the Department of Education.

SSR offers two* uniform packages each year to ALL Prep families/guardians that are eligible for CSEF funding.

Prep Autumn/Winter Uniform Package for CSEF recipients
Prep students for 2025 that are recipients of the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) automatically qualify for the uniform package and/or voucher.
**If students received the Prep Summer Uniform Package, they are still eligible to receive the Autumn/Winter Package.*

What's in the package?
The Autumn/Winter package contains the following items:

Outerwear x 1 pce (i.e., jacket / parka / puffer)
Tops x 2 pcs (i.e., windcheater / polo shirt / rugby top)
Pants x 2 pcs (i.e., trackpants / leggings)
Socks x 2 packs
Pair of Shoes x 1

Important:
a) PE items are not included as part of this package
b) Shoes must be requested in UK sizes (please refer to our shoe size conversion chart)

Cost to parents & guardians
Where State Schools' Relief is unable to provide a uniform item directly that contains a logo (due to contractual agreements with uniform retailers) a **voucher for $85** will be provided that subsidises the cost of the uniform item/s. The voucher can be redeemed at your child's school uniform shop or independent uniform retailer.
Please note: vouchers do have an expiry date and must be redeemed before they exprire.

How do I apply for the Prep CSEF Autumn/Winter Uniform Package?
Applications are made through your child's school. Please refrain from contacting State Schools' Relief directly as we are unable to accept applications directly from parents/families. Should you have any questions, or wish to apply for assistance, please speak directly with your child's school.

How do I receive the uniform package?
All items and/or vouchers provided by SSR will be delivered directly to your child's school. The school will contact you to arrange handover of these items and/or vouchers.

Important:
Vouchers are not transferable and cannot be exchanged for cash. State Schools' Relief does not make cash payments to schools parents or guardians.

What you need to do.

Your child's school will be in contact with you regarding the 2025 Autumn/Winter Uniform Package. Please fill out the 'Prep CSEF Autumn/Winter Uniform Package Order Form' and return it to the school for submission.

State Schools' Relief Ltd | 1/8 Johnston Court, Dandenong South VIC 3175 | contact@ssr.net.au | 03 8769 8400 | stateschoolsrelief.org.au

2026 PREP ENROLMENTS AND SCHOOL TOURS

Enrolments are now open for all families looking to enrol their children for Prep 2026. Prep 2026 Enrolment forms can be downloaded from our website here. Enrolment forms along with your child's birth certificate and immunisation certificate can be returned to the office by hand or via email to Barbara.rogers@education.vic.gov.au

To start primary school in 2026, your child will need to **turn 5 years old by 30 April 2026.** Schooling is compulsory for children who have turned 6 years old.

Prep (Foundation) application for enrolment can be completed between the **22 April and the 25 July 2025**.

How do I enrol my child in their first year of primary school?

1. Find your local school on findmyschool.vic.gov.au
   website, which hosts the most up-to-date information about Victorian school zones.

2. Click to download the Prep (Foundation) enrolment information pack.

3. Click to download the Factsheet for Prep (Foundation) enrolment 2026.

4. Submit an enrolment application for Prep (Foundation) by **Friday, 25 July 2025.**

5. You will be notified of the outcome of your application between **Monday 28 July** and **Friday 8 August 2025.** If you receive an offer, you should accept the offer by **Friday 22 August 2025.**

6. Take part in enrolment information and transition sessions during Term 4 2025.

7. Your child will start Prep (Foundation) from a date advised by our school, in 2026.

School Tours can be booked online via trybooking here or by clicking the image below.

If you require further information regarding Prep Enrolments please contact the office on 03 9787 1385.

Timeline for 2025-26

2025 Dates	Activity
Term 2: Tuesday 22 April 2025 – Friday 4 July 2025	
Terms 1 and 2, 2025	Primary schools conduct tours, information sessions and other activities for families seeking Foundation (Prep) enrolment for their child for 2026.
By the start of Term 2, 2025	School zones for the 2026 school year go live on findmyschool.vic.gov.au Parents and carers should go to findmyschool.vic.gov.au to locate their designated neighbourhood school (local school) for 2026. The Enrolment Information Pack for Parents and Carers is available to download from Enrolling in Foundation (Prep).
From Week 1, Term 2 2025	Primary schools may distribute the Enrolment Information Packs to prospective families and their local community.
From Week 1, Term 2, 2025	**Enrolment applications open** – parents and carers submit their completed enrolment application to a government primary school from this date.
Term 3: Monday 21 July 2025 – Friday 19 September 2025	
By Friday 25 July 2025	**Enrolment applications due** – parents and carers submit their completed enrolment application to a government primary school by this date.
Between Monday 28 July and Friday 8 August 2025	Primary schools notify parents and carers in writing of Foundation (Prep) enrolment outcomes, as per the department's Placement Policy. This may include a letter of offer, a letter confirming enrolment, or an unsuccessful application letter. Parents and carers sent an unsuccessful application letter may start submitting a written appeal to the primary school.
By Friday 22 August 2025	Parents and carers sent a letter of offer indicate acceptance of their child's place by this date.
By Friday 22 August 2025	**Closing date** for parents and carers to submit a written appeal to a primary school.
By Friday 5 September 2025	Primary schools notify all parents and carers, in writing, of the outcome of their appeal by this date.
By Friday 19 September 2025	**Closing date** for parents and carers to submit a written appeal with the relevant Regional Director, where they have been unsuccessful with their appeal to the primary school.
Term 4: Monday 6 October 2025 – Friday 19 December 2025	
During Term 4, 2025	Primary schools host transition sessions.
By Friday 31 October 2025	Regions notify all parents and carers in writing of the outcome of Regional Director appeals by this date. This only applies to appeals received by the closing date of Friday 19 September 2025.

CAMP AUSTRALIA

Outside School Hours Care

Newsletter

28/04/2025

Mount Eliza Primary School

Camp Australia
Guiding Children's Growth

Your OSHC.

ROCKETEERS

OSHC LEGO® Masters Week

12-16 May

in After School Care

With exclusive challenge videos from Brickman

LEGO MASTERS

Your OSHC.

Book now!

A message from your Coordinator

Hello everyone! Welcome back to Term 2, I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays.

I would like to introduce myself to you all, my name is Leah. I am your new service Coordinator for Mount Eliza Primary School OSHC. It has been lovely meeting you parents throughout the first week and I am looking forward to meeting more of you!

This past week, the kids created easter baskets and paper roller bunnies. The children also helped make ANZAC biscuits for afternoon tea, everyone loved them!

We've have more fun activities to come. This week is very artsy, we will be testing our craft skills with creating Air-Dry Clay ornaments.

If you ever have any questions, please feel free to come have a chat! Enjoy the rest of your week 😊

Activities coming up

- Earth Collage
- Air-Dry Clay Nature Ornaments
- Joke Chatterbox
- Design an Eco-Friendly

Make a booking

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

Book now

Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campaustralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.

Download on the App Store

GET IT ON Google Play

Find out more and book now at www.campaustralia.com.au

COMMUNITY NOTICES

positive partnerships

Working together to support autistic school-aged students

Free workshop

1 Day Autism Workshop for Parents and Carers

Pakenham, VIC

Scan the QR code or click here to register

This workshop is for parents, full time carers and grandparents.

Wednesday
21 May, 2025
9:15am to 3:00pm

Cardinia Cultural Centre
40 Lakeside Boulevard
PAKENHAM VIC 3810

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided

Interpreters available upon request

During the workshop you will learn about:

- The diversity of autism
- Sensory processing
- Working together with your child's school.

Learn more about autism and ways to strengthen the partnership between home and school.

For more information or to register visit:

www.positivepartnerships.com.au/PC

jfeary@positivepartnerships.com.au

0477 574 746

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NAIDOC WEEK SCHOOL INITIATIVES 2025

NAIDOC WEEK 2025

The NAIDOC Week Celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples

Colouring In Competition

Entry is open to all students in Years K-2

PRIZES

Ultimate Kids Gift Card

THE ULTIMATE KIDS GIFT CARD

HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON

HUNDREDS OF IN-SEASON MOVIE PASSES TO WATCH 'HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON'

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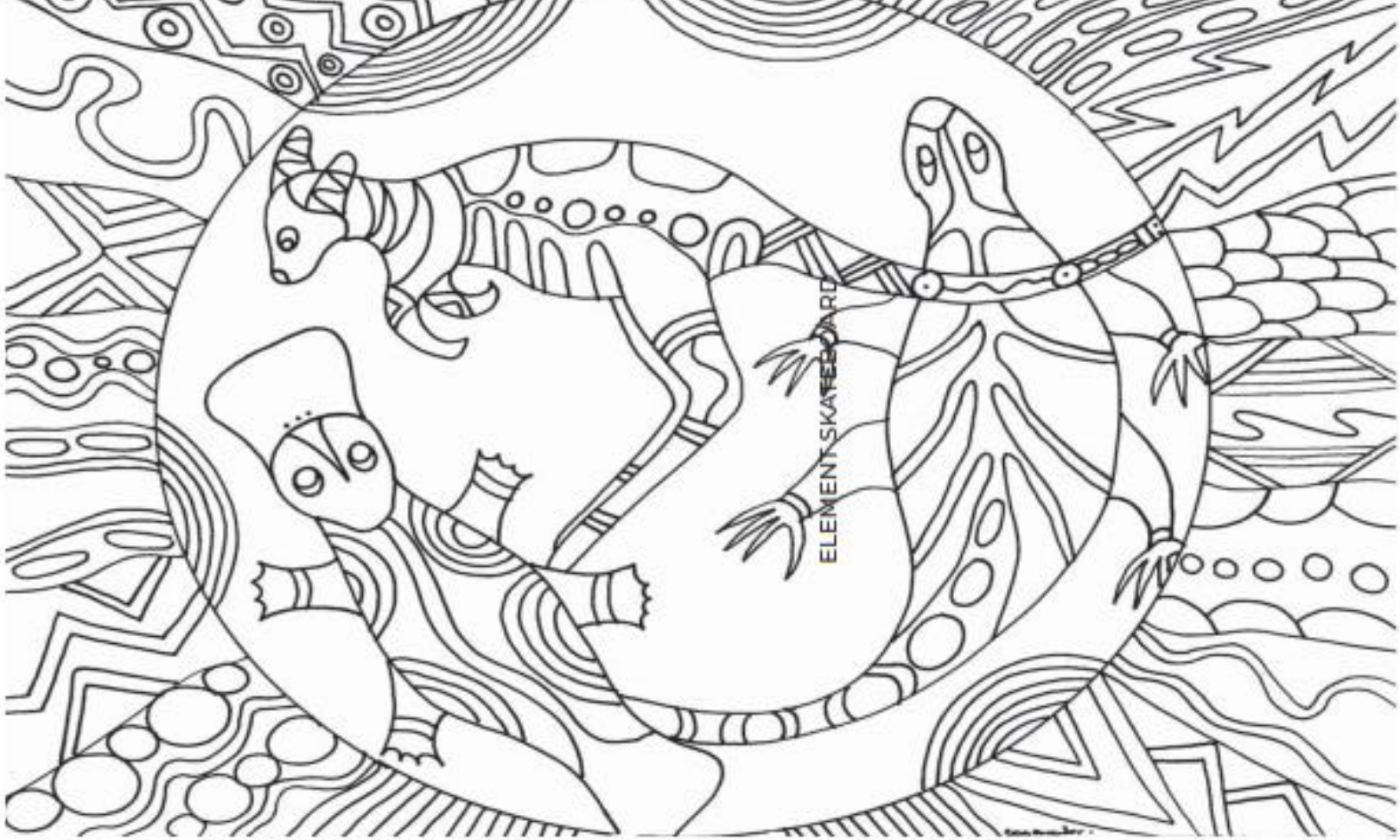

Name_____ Age_____ School _____ Year _____

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Entry is open to all students in Years 3 - 6

Poem Writing Competition

Write a Poem entitled:

RESPECT

(Everyone has a culture, and it must be respected)

**Entry must be typed and on A4 Paper. Entries will be judged on quality, meaning and creativity. Please ensure the name grade and class are clearly included on both your story and on the official NAIDOC School Initiatives entry form.

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Creative Writing Competition

Design a Creative Invitation

... to the Prime Minister inviting him to attend a NAIDOC event either at your school or within your community. The invitation must focus on NAIDOC Week, Cultural significance and your local community and its importance to first nations people.

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Essay Writing Competition

Moving Forward - Looking Back

Explain how Justice and Health have improved throughout the years and pinpoint either an Indigenous justice or health initiative that has made significant improvements for first nations people.

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